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- 1. AUSTRIAN EMBASSY INFORMED US TODAY RE GOA DECISION ON ADMISSIBILITY JIRI SOUKUP FAMILY TO AUSTRIA. WILL BE PERMITTED ENTRY IF USG CAN GUARANTEE THEY WILL EITHER ENTER US OR BE PERMITTED RETURN LEBANON, AND THAT ALL COSTS WHILE IN AUSTRIA WILL BE PAID. AUSTRIAN EMBASSY EMPHASIZED GOA WILL BE UNABLE ISSUE ANY FORM OF TRAVEL DOCUMENT.
- 2. AS INS/ATHENS REPRESENTATIVE ABLE VISIT BEIRUT TWO WEEKS AGO AND INTERVIEWED SOUKUPS, URGENCY OF MOVING TO THIRD COUNTRY HAS DECREASED. NEVERTHELESS, IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE MOVE FROM LEBANON FOR REMAINING PERIOD REQUIRED OBTAIN 203(A)7 VISAS. IN CONTRAST OTHER 203(A)7 PROCESSING CENTERS, APPLICANTS HERE NOT CARED FOR IN CAMPS. AS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SOUKUPS LACK COMMON LANGUAGE WITH LOCAL POPULATION

(E.G. ARABIC OR ARMENIAN,), LIVING HARDSHIPS EFFECT THEM MORE SEVERELY. IN ADDITION, THEIR EXPERIENCES DURING CYPRUS WAR PROVIDE REASONS FOR SPECIAL CONSIDERATION. THUS, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM MOVED ON TO LOCALE SUCH AS AUSTRIA WHERE BETTER FACILITIES AVAILABLE.

3. AS SOUKUPS ELIGIBLE FOR USRP, WE COULD UNDOUBTEDLY GUARANTEE PAYMENT OF COSTS IN AUSTRIA. WE CANNOT, OF COURSE, GUARANTEE RETURN TO LEBANON. HAS CASE MOVED CLOSE ENOUGH TO FINAL APPROVAL PERMIT US GUARANTEE TO AUSTRIAN EMBASSY EVENTUAL MOVEMENT TO US? GODLEY

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